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LOWER INSURANCE RATES -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, 20 Jan 51

The state-owned insurance companies in the German Democratic Republic have reduced the cost of premiums and improved insurance coverage. Differentiation between rates for small and large policies has been abolished. Moreover, higher premiums will no longer be charged for policies covering persons exposed to special occupational hazards.

All policies in force will provide for accident indemnity, without restriction as to age. Even in the case of accident insurance, premiums will not be upped because the insured is exposed to unusual hazards. The new rates apply to all life insurance and endowment policies issued by people-owned insurance companies since 1946. Renewal of old policies will be continued at the old rates.

SOVIET INSURANCE COMPANY COVERS FOREIGN SHIPMENTS -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, 27 Jan 51

Following negotiations conducted by the Ministry for Foreign and Intra-German Trade, Deutscher Aussenhandel A.Oe.R. (German Foreign Trade, a public law institution), Berlin C 2, Schicklerstrasse 5-7, concluded a contract with the Soviet Black Sea and Baltic General Insurance Corporation.

The insurance company is to cover all transportation risks within and outside the borders of the German Democratic Republic.

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SETS DEADLINE FOR PATENT REGISTRATION -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel,
13 Dec 50

The German Democratic Republic's Office of Patents and Inventions has announced that all inventions which were made available to the economy within the first 3 years following Germany's collapse may be registered up to 31 December, provided such inventions were completed between 1 July 1944 and 31 December 1948 and had not been registered with the former Reich Patent Office prior to 8 May 1945.

Patent applications filed with the latter office have been taken over, with the original date of registration, by the Office for Patents and Inventions, Berlin N 4, Hessische Strasse 11/12. Inventions covered by such applications need not be reregistered.

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